

Amendments to the Specification:

Please amend the Specification as follows:

On page 3, please replace the paragraph that starts on line 19 with the word “Another” and ends on line 23 with the word “layer” with the following amended paragraph:

Another embodiment of the invention is directed to a light source that comprises a plurality of light emitting diode (LED) dies capable of emitting LED light and ~~a first layer~~an intermediate layer disposed over the LED dies. The ~~first layer~~intermediate layer is substantially transparent to the LED light. The LED light propagates through the ~~first layer~~intermediate layer from a first side of the ~~first layer~~intermediate layer to a second side of the ~~first layer~~intermediate layer. A phosphor layer is disposed on the second side of the ~~first layer~~intermediate layer.

On page 3, please replace the paragraph that starts on line 24 with the word “Another” and ends on page 4, line 2 with the word “phosphor” with the following amended paragraph:

Another embodiment of the invention is directed to a method of assembling a light source. The method comprises providing a plurality of light emitting diode (LED) dies capable of emitting LED light. A layer of phosphor is disposed on ~~a first layer~~an intermediate layer, where the ~~first layer~~intermediate layer is substantially transparent to the LED light. The ~~first layer~~intermediate layer and the layer of phosphor are positioned over the LED dies so that LED light passes through the ~~first layer~~intermediate layer from the LED dies to the layer of phosphor.